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The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

EP 0 742 492 A1, EP 0 866 374 A2 and JP-2001-1351855 also cited in the Search Report, have not been submitted or listed as their U.S. equivalents, U.S. Patent Nos. 5,838,426, 6,490,025 and 6,593,585, respectively, have been listed instead. The undersigned respectfully notes that copies of U.S. references are not required in applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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